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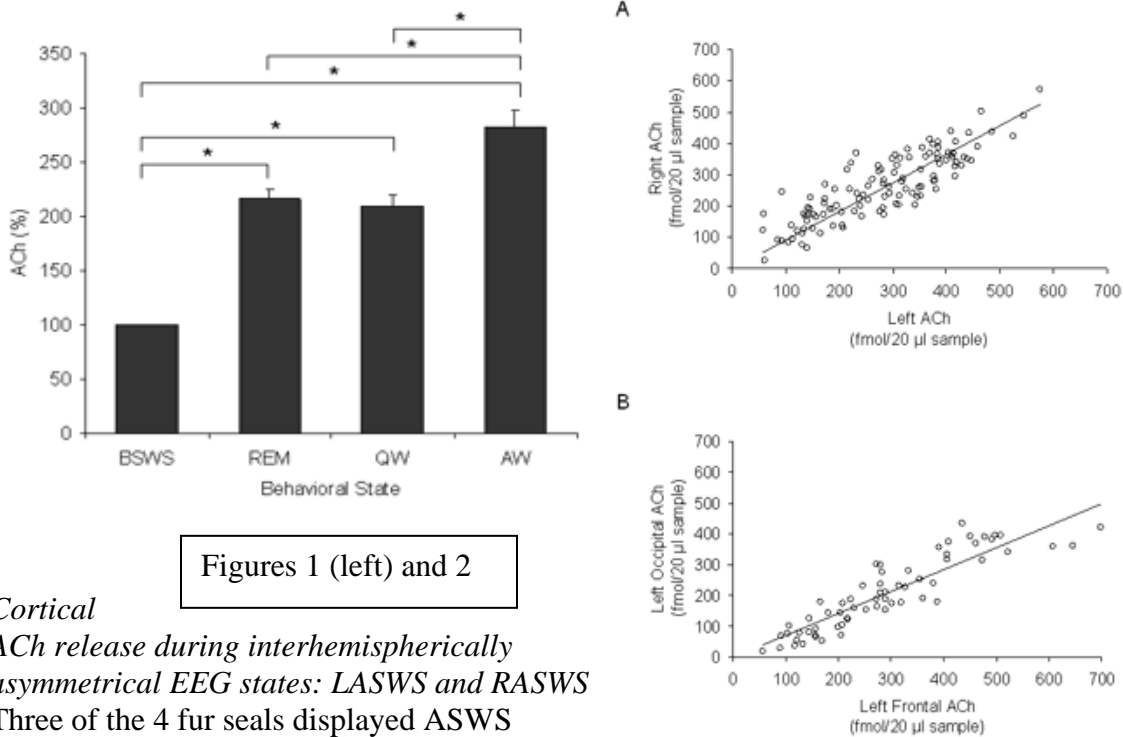
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Acetylcholine (ACh) analysis:

Cortical ACh release during bilaterally symmetrical EEG states: Bilateral slow wave sleep (BSWS), REM sleep, Quiet Waking (QW and Active Waking (AW)

Mean cortical ACh release was state-dependent ($F_{(3,18)}=13.89$, $p<0.0001$). ACh levels were minimal during BSWS at 157 ± 35.8 fmol/20 μ l sample ($n=95$), increased to 346 ± 85.8 fmol/20 μ l sample ($n=38$) during REM and to 335 ± 82.7 fmol/20 μ l sample ($n=150$) during QW, and were maximal during AW at 442 ± 109.3 fmol/20 μ l sample ($n=180$). When compared to BSWS, ACh levels increased by 216% during REM, 210% during QW, and 283% during AW as shown in Figure 1. *Post hoc* tests revealed ACh release was: significantly higher during REM, QW, and AW when compared to BSWS

(all p -values < 0.0001), similar during REM and QW (p =0.536), and significantly elevated during AW when compared to REM (p =0.020) and QW (p =0.007) levels. Changes in cortical ACh release across the sleep-wake cycle are summarized as follows: BSWS < QW = REM < AW. For each pair of symmetrically placed probes, changes in ACh release occurred synchronously in both hemispheres during bilaterally symmetrical states (*i.e.* BSWS, REM, QW, AW) (all r -values \geq 0.810 and all p -values < 0.0001; Figure 2A). For each seal, ACh release occurred in parallel between two sites within the same hemisphere regardless of behavioral state (all r -values \geq 0.722 and all p -values < 0.0001; Figure 2B).



Figures 1 (left) and 2

Cortical

ACh release during interhemispherically asymmetrical EEG states: LASWS and RASWS

Three of the 4 fur seals displayed ASWS during the observation period (Seal 1, 2, and 4). For all animals, EEG spectral power in the delta range (1.2-4 Hz) was maximally expressed during BSWS and minimally expressed at a similar level during QW and REM. During LASWS, EEG spectral power was higher in the left hemisphere compared to the right hemisphere (Figure 3A). During LASWS, EEG spectral power in the left hemisphere approached but generally did not reach the level observed during BSWS while EEG spectral power in the right hemisphere approached but was typically greater than that observed for QW (Figure 3A). The maximal difference in spectral power between hemispheres was not obtained because most sleep displaying interhemispheric EEG asymmetry was not USWS (*i.e.* high-voltage synchronized EEG in one hemisphere and desynchronized EEG in the other). Similar trends, albeit in the opposite hemispheres, were observed during RASWS (Figure 3A). For all animals, ACh release was lateralized during ASWS with maximal release in the hemisphere displaying low-voltage activity (*i.e.* higher spectral power) (Figure 3B)

Hypocretin release

We have successfully collected and analyzed our first bilateral hypocretin samples. This required surmounting several hurdles including using new dialysis membranes, transporting samples back to Los Angeles for analysis in good condition and achieving reliable radioimmunoassay measurements. The figures below (figs 4 & 5) show the results of our initial analysis, which indicate lateralization of hypocretin release with USWS.

In combination with our prior results, these data indicate that both hypocretin and acetylcholine are increased in accordance with cortical activation. Our preliminary analysis suggests that the pattern of Hcrt release differs from Ach release in that Hcrt release does not differ between QW and SWS, whereas Ach release is significantly lower in SWS than in QW. It remains to be seen if this is the case for other neurotransmitters implicated in arousal, especially norepinephrine and serotonin.

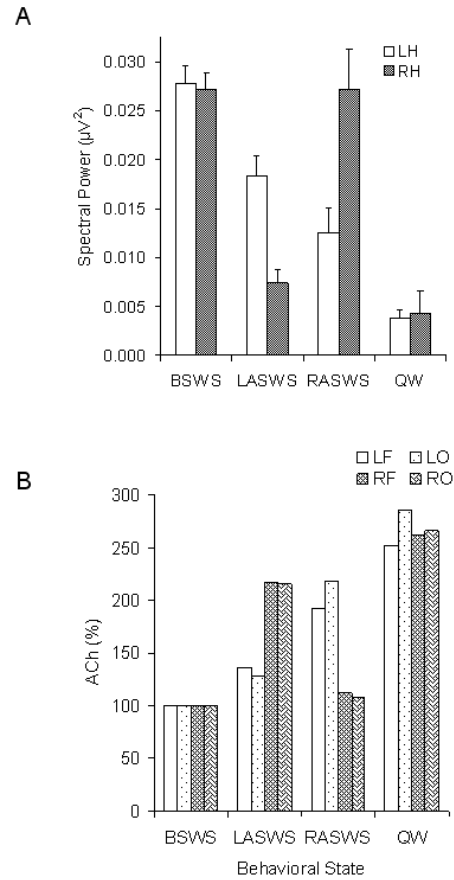


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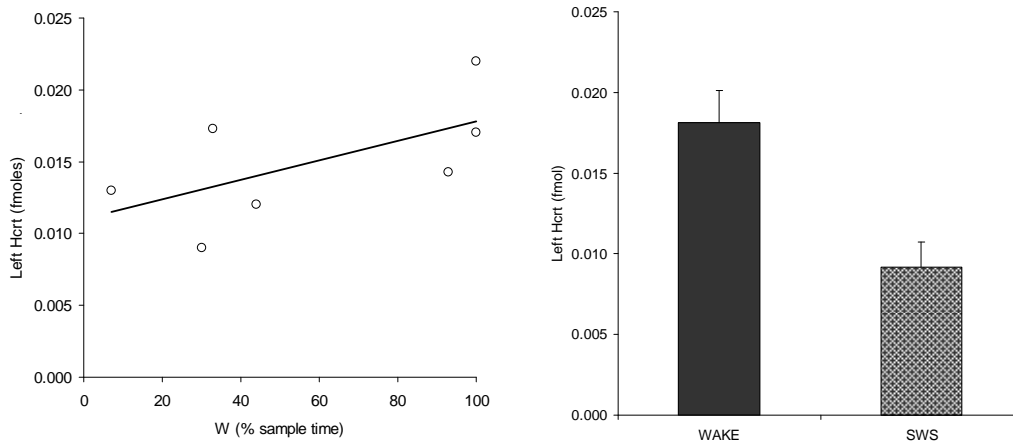
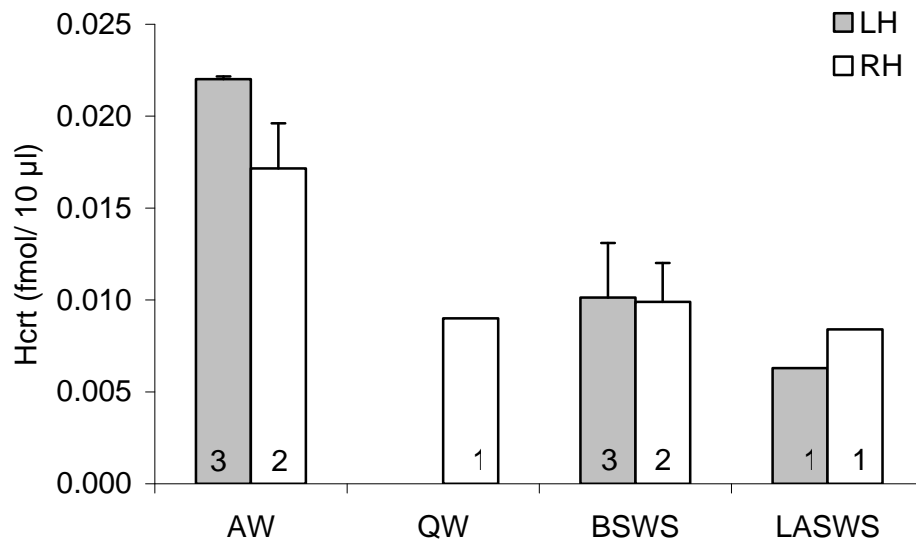


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Cortical hypocretin release (mean \pm SD) was maximal during active wake (AW); the average release for the left and right hemisphere (LH and RH, respectively) combined was 0.020 ± 0.003 fmol/10 μ l. During bilateral slow wave sleep (BSWS) cortical hypocretin release decreased (0.010 ± 0.002 fmol/10 μ l) and was significantly less than that of AW ($t_8=5.973$, $p<0.0001$). Numbers within each bar represent n . Data were obtained from a single northern fur seal (seal 7-06).

In conclusion we have found the following:

1. Cetaceans are able to go without any sustained periods of sleep for several weeks without any adverse consequences. Indeed this is a normal feature of birth and nurturing by the mother. This is the first document instance of a mammal going without sleep for sustained periods (Lyamin et al., 2005; Lyamin et al., 2006; Lyamin et al., 2007).
- 2, Cetacean sleep may have evolved to allow continuous vigilance as well as to facilitate thermoregulation. Cetacean sleep has been accompanied by anatomical changes in the structure of the hypocretin system and of the suprachiasmatic nucleus.
3. Fur seals can have unihemispheric sleep on land if disturbed. This substitutes for bilateral sleep, such that there is no rebound sleep (in preparation).
4. Unihemispheric slow waves in fur seals and cetaceans is linked to unilateral eyelid closure (Lyamin et al., 2004; Lyamin et al., 2002).
5. Acetylcholine and hypocretin are released in the waking hemisphere at significantly higher rates than in the sleeping hemisphere of fur seals (Lapierre et al., 2007)
6. Hypocretin is linked to positive emotions and approach, but not to simple alerting (Siegel, 2004).
7. Sleep is likely to function mainly as an ecological adaptation, rather than fulfilling any universal biological need (Siegel, 2005).

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